

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF OBJECTIONS FILED:

Tonto National Forest Land Management Plan Revision—Reviewing Officer: Michiko Martin, Southwestern Region Regional Forester; and for the Regional Forester Species of Conservation Concern List (SCC); Reviewing Officer: Debbie Hollen, Acting Associate Deputy Chief for National Forest System

As of midnight on May 24, 2022, we have received 26 objections regarding the Plan Revision for the Tonto National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Tonto Forest Plan) and the associated Regional Forester Species of Conservation Concern list. We may continue to receive objections from postal mailings. Of these objections, only those that have standing to object are available for review in the reading room.

The publication date of this notice in the Arizona Capitol Times, the newspaper of record, initiates a 10-day period during in which individuals or organizations who have provided substantive formal comment on the plan in the past and have a particular interest in the resolution of any objection may file a request to be an interested person, as described in 36 C.F.R. §219.57 and Forest Service Handbook (FSH) 1909.12, Section 51.65, which allows participation in meetings between the objectors and the Forest Service.

The objections may be viewed online at: <https://cara.fs2c.usda.gov/Public//ReadingRoom?Project=5159>
2. The Tonto Revised Forest Plan, Final Environmental Impact Statement, and draft Record of Decision were released on March 25, 2022. These documents are available for review on the Tonto Forest Plan website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/tonto/landmanagement/planning>.

To be recognized as an interested person in this process, requests must be received within 10 days of publication of the legal notice. Please include the following information; your name and affiliation (if any); mailing address, phone number, and email address (if available); the names of the objectors(s) and objection issues you have an interest in, including your rationale; and finally, demonstrate your past participation in the planning process.

Electronic requests must be submitted online via CARA <https://cara.fs2c.usda.gov/Public/CommentInput?Project=5159>
2. Written requests submitted via USPS, FedEx, UPS, or other courier should be mailed to: Michiko Martin, Reviewing Officer, USDA Forest Service, Attn: Tonto Plan Revision Interested Persons Request, 333 Broadway Blvd. SE, Albuquerque, NM 87102. Faxed requests must be submitted to (505) 842-3173 and the subject line must include "Tonto Plan Revision Interested Person Request".

The requests will be considered by the Reviewing Officer(s), and eligible interested persons will be notified in advance of any objection resolution meetings. Resolution meetings will be held virtually and are open to observation by the public. The date(s), location(s), and agenda(s) for any meeting(s) will be posted online at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/tonto/landmanagement/planning>.

Please reach out to Cindy Underwood, Forest Plan Objection Coordinator, at cindy.underwood@usda.gov or 801-694-8190, if you have questions.

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